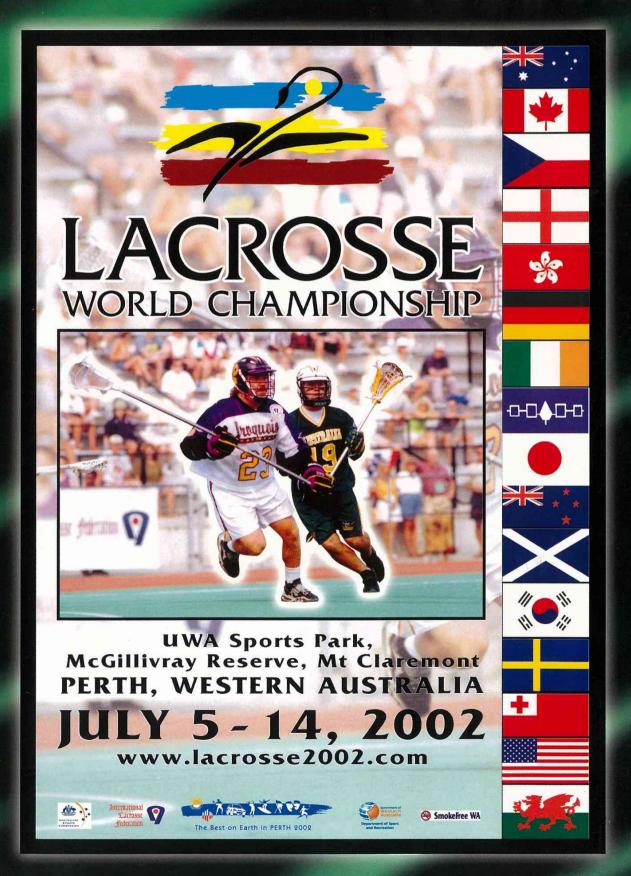
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Editorial

The priority over these past few months has been the organisation of the biggest international lacrosse event ever held in the world - and unfortunately this has delayed the publication of this issue of the Journal. Therefore some material is a little dated but most has been retained because it will still be news for some and hopefully of interest to all.

The Festival of Lacrosse offers a great opportunity for everyone to not only participate in a tournament to suit their age and ability but to see 16 nations, including the best in the world, competing for the World Champion's title - with Australia having its best chance ever on its home turf.

There are many other activities planned starting off with the Australian Senior Championship (June 30-July 3) hosted by Subiaco Lacrosse Club in the week preceding the World Championship. The autograph sessions in tentland at the World Championship should be of special interest to our younger players, whilst the inaugural ILF Golf Day and the Lacrosse Australia Fellows Dinner are other attractions. It is a great opportunity to make the most of the festivities with lacrosse people from around the world.

The World Championship is not the only lacrosse activity happening in 2002 - and messages from State Associations and a look at international growth in this issue gives an indication of that. (It is great to have a message from State Association Presidents in this issue of the Journal.)

The next Journal for 2002 scheduled for September will certainly have plenty to report!

Mavis Owens

Lacrosse Australia, Director Media, Marketing and Promotions

Welcome to the 2002 Season. This year will be one of the most exciting in the history of Australian Lacrosse. As I write this message the Australian Lacrosse Team is in camp in Melbourne and the Federal Minister for Sport will be attending the practice game at the weekend. (See page 8).

This is a prelude to the World Championships which will be held in Perth in July 2002. With the National Senior, Under 17 and Under 15 Championships being held at the same time and with a multitude of ancillary events being held in conjunction with the World Championships this will be the largest Lacrosse carnival ever held.



I hope you all have a great season and I look forward to meeting as many of you as possible in Perth.

J. .

Leighton Beamsley

President

Lacrosse Australia



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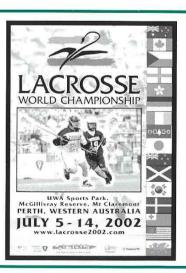
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In the Net

15th Paradise Lacrosse Tournament

This event is being conducted from October 3rd to 6th, 2002 at the Broadbeach Soccer Club, Surfers Paradise, Australia.

Check the web site at www.paradiselax.com or contact: Tournament Director, Ray Trevaskis PO Box 223, Peregian Beach, QLD 4573

Phone: 07-5445 8783 Mobile: 0418-727 266

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BIGGER & BETTER

The International Lacrosse Federation Development Committee, with the leadership of US Lacrosse Chief Executive Steve Stenersen and Lacrosse Australia Director Peter Hobbs, has done a heap of work with wonderful outcomes for lacrosse.

The 1988 meeting of the ILF in Adelaide had the four 'founder nations' of international lacrosse (Australia, Canada, England, USA) discussing a proposal for admission of a new member of the ILF - the Iroquois Nationals. Since that meeting approved the first new nation, Japan joined as a Full member then Czech Republic, Germany, Scotland, Sweden, Wales and Korea were accepted as Associate Members, with one ILF Delegate (Full members have two delegates at ILF Meetings). The work of the ILF Development Committee generated more international interest resulting in a third category of membership, with no voting rights, being established and Argentina, Finland, the Netherlands (Holland), Hong Kong, Ireland, New Zealand and Tonga signing up as Affiliate Members.

We can expect further membership applications from Italy, Belgium, Spain, Israel, Pakistan, Finland, Austria, Switzerland, Denmark and India who are all involved in the ILF Development Committee Programs. Lacrosse grows bigger, and better, every year.

Queensland President's Message

Queensland Lacrosse would like to thank all the participants who attended the Under 15 Nationals held on the Gold Coast during the September school holidays 2001. I hope everyone enjoyed themselves.

A lot of effort was put in by everyone to make the tournament work.

Special thanks to the teams from WA and SA who travelled by bus to Qld after the Ansett debacle. All arrived in time for the Opening Ceremony.

Thanks to the Southern Crosse team and coaching staff for putting in an extraordinary effort in setting up and putting things away at the end of each day.

We also must not forget the referees who also helped mark out the grounds prior to the tournament starting (you would think these blokes were experts!). Thanks also to Helen Keane from Lacrosse Australia who put in a great effort getting score sheets etc out to the teams every day.

As Queensland Lacrosse is a 'developing' State with limited resources it is very hard to get lacrosse off the ground. We were very short on manpower for these Nationals and without the help of all the people mentioned above we may not have made it.

Regards Graham Nicholls, President QLA

President's Message from North Queensland

We still only have two teams in the competition, Stuart and J.C.U. We keep hoping the A.D.F. will get a team together but with all their deployments its a hard road to hoe.

We are still waiting for our playing field to be useable after a major upgrade including in-ground sprinkler system, returfing and a fence around the field (no more chasing balls into the bush!).

The overseas students arrived in March, with luck there will be some lacrosse players in with them.

We hope to be playing on Wednesday nights starting at 7-30 pm.

John Mitchell



TASMANIA LACROSSE

Tasmania lacrosse is a small association running out of Hobart. Our main themes for this year are junior development and participation at all levels. On the junior development we are again looking forward to this year's junior season (our season starts very late in the year due



mainly to the hot weather!) The past junior seasons have been tremendously rewarding from both the committee and the parent view point. Being a small organisation we often get comments from parents 'what a wonderful sport Lacrosse is and how supportive and encouraging the association is'. Our largest problem, as with other associations, is how to get that message out there to the great unwashed masses. We expend a great deal of effort in running awareness or training clinics through our local public school system.

The other main focus is to enable participation to continue. To this end we have a number of near 50 year olds as well as a juniors playing in our competitions. We also run a 'twilight' season in the summer months. This enables a different participation from others who for various reasons cannot play during the winter season. This is generally well attended and becomes more of a social match rather than serious competition. Further, from time to time we have run 'masters' games which allows for some of the players who have moved on in years to come back and have a game which is geared to their age and attributes. Although not run this year, we have run a 3 on 3 game small ground with only one goal called 'Chumash'. Tight and fast. All in all good fun to be had here.

Brent D'Alton, President

WALA 2001 Wrap Up

The Centenary Shield was presented to celebrate the centenary of lacrosse for WA in 1996. The Shield is presented to the Club of the Year based on specific criteria and the Wanneroo Club did not relinquish it's unbroken record in winning this trophy again in 2001.



WALA President Allan Griffiths presents the Centenary Shield to Wanneroo Club President George Walker. Another presentation at the WALA AGM was the Isaachsen Trophy recognising the best player competing in State competitions throughout Australia. This is decided on referee votes. Australian Team member Russell Brown was the winner in 2001 and he was presented with the trophy by Lacrosse Australia Director Mavis Owens, with WALA President Allan Griffiths looking on.



At the same meeting Mavis Owens was elected as a Life Member of the WALA along with Chris Milne.

IDEAL EVENTS: APPOINTED DESTINATION MANAGEMENT COMPANY LACROSSE WORLD FESTIVAL 2002

From 5th to 14th July 2002, the Lacrosse World festival will be held in Perth, Western Australia. To date 53 international and national teams have expressed interest to compete in the event ranging from junior to Grand Masters age groups.

Ideal Events (IECM) is the appointed destination management company for the festival providing tourism services such as accommodation, tours, car hire and airfares if required. A range of value-added services awaits you when you book with us. These include discounted entry fee to a number of tourist attractions, gifts, hotel laundry pack, complimentary beverage and much more.

Although set packages are currently being offered, it is also possible for Ideal Events to tailor packages to suit your individual needs. We at Ideal Events will be very pleased to be of service to you. Please contact us on 08 9481 3988 (telephone), 08 9481 6833 (facsimile) and iecm@idealcom.com.au (email) and ask for Andrea or Jodi. If preferred, our postal address is PO Box 178, West Perth, WA 6872. We look forward to hearing from you.

In the Net

50 Years at Burnside

The inaugural meeting of the Burnside Lacrosse Club was held on 4th March 1952 at the Burnside Council Chambers. The Club has organised a year of fun and celebration which included a 50th Birthday Party on Saturday 9th March. Indications are that the Club has close to 1200 past and current members. Enjoy the memories and the year.

Look who is playing Lacrosse!

The camera caught Cathy Freeman in lacrosse mode!



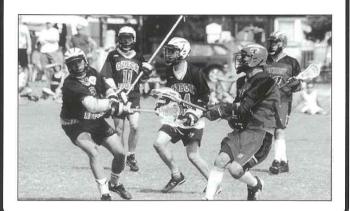


Advertisment WESTERN BEACH LODGE

Budget accommodation located 500 metres from Scarborough beach and only 6 km from the World Lacrosse Championship venue. Clean, friendly and homely. Rates from \$36 per room per night. Airport pick-up by arrangement. Phone Joe on (08) 9245 1624.

Lacrosse action in Europe

A few tournaments in Europe in April with the Czech Republic hosting an International Box Lacrosse Tournament on April 19 to 21. Italy has also hosted a high school boy's tournament. Italy will be one of some 20 international lacrosse teams participating in ancillary tournaments in the Festival of Lacrosse in Perth in July 2002.



Aussies in China

Coaches from Australia, Judy Inkster and Bob Carter have recently returned from conducting coaching clinics in China. We hope to have a report and some photos for a future issue of the Journal.

Oh to be in England!

The English Lacrosse Association conducts a Development Program which hires lacrosse coaches from USA, Canada and Australia. Schools Coaching Officers work in a variety of situations from recreational programs to full time high school coaching along with playing in the British leagues. Coaches are provided with free housing, a weekly wage and a personal mentor. They also have an opportunity to travel in Europe and coach in the Czech Republic, Germany and Sweden.

Anyone interested can contact Mark Coups on 011-44-114 232 6734 or email m.coups@englishlacrosse.co.uk or Megan Stroud on 011-44-138 672 5646 or email meganstroud@hotmail.com



So you want to be a Team Manager!

If you think the Team Manager role looks like a breeze, consider the roles played by Australian Team Managers Don Rudderham and Les Goding during the February 8-day Team training camp.

Arranging billets for team members from South Australia and Western Australia is a challenge to start the action for local resident Les. Ensuring everyone is collected from the airport and have travel arrangements for the camp.

Collecting the key for use of the Altona Lacrosse Club facilities while training at their grounds - and being first at training to open up, and last out to lock up - every day.

Regular shopping trips to purchase the victuals to satisfy the needs of the hungry horde - as specified by nutritionist Ben Hitchins - at training sessions. Preparing the food for lunches - cooking a barbecue, stripping chickens, rolling ham slices, buttering bread etc. Then washing the dishes afterwards. Purchasing sufficient ice for the ice baths to help player recovery. Taking advantage of a nearby bulk refuse disposal to remove several wheelie bins of rubbish. And cleaning the premises when training was finished.

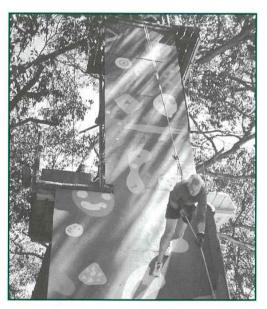
Measuring team members for uniforms the dreaded 'inside leg' move!

The games at Doncaster Hockey Field, previously booked of course, required transfer of goals without spikes to the field - which is as far from Altona as you could get. Hire a trailer and become a cartage contractor to cart the goals.

An admission fee was necessary to help cover cost for use of the facilities - become a gatekeeper. The team has merchandise to sell - polo shirts and vehicle licence plate frames - so sell them while on the gate, keep the money secure and a record of where the revenue comes from!



Don Rudderham abseiling



Don Rudderham heads for the ground!



Across the mud pit

Of course the merchandise is stored by the manager - and transported to selling spots.

A three day live-in camp offered new challenges - freed from the caterers role to enter the team building activities. After carting the goals to the camp, about an hour and a half from Melbourne, carting them between the camp site and the local oval. Sleeping on a triple level bunk with 7 other people in the same room. The commando course conducted by the camp staff was the highlight - it is not only the players in their 20's who accepted the challenges. Walking on a log over a mud pit, abseiling, tightrope walking, being hauled over high walls, zooming across a lake on a flying fox, up the climbing ropes, leaping from a high platform to a circus style swing bar, upside down hanging from the legs then unhook the legs to drop head first to the ground - trusting the ropes, gear and supervisor that you will not hit the ground. The managers did it all and were seen in a new light by other team members.

Next day saw the ambulance driver role come into play, transporting a concussed (on the water slide!) player to hospital to be checked out, sitting around waiting then back to the local oval to transport the goals home - in a thunderstorm!

Back to the training routine and the role of counsellor and adviser to players and other team members. The debt collection role also had to be called on to remind several team members of their financial responsibilities.

The second game at Doncaster on Saturday night included early warning system for arrival of the Minister for Sport and his Chief of Staff.

After the camp it is back to the things which are always on the agenda - seeking sponsorship, managing merchandise, planning programs, arranging uniforms etc. etc.

And the managers pay the same amount as all other team members to be part of this team. This brief outline of one camp may give some idea of the role of an Australian Team manager.

Meeting The Minister

The Australian Lacrosse Team and the lacrosse fraternity in general was honoured to have Senator Rod Kemp, Minister for the Arts and Sport, and his Chief of Staff, Julie Reid, attend their game with Williamstown in Melbourne on Saturday February 23rd, 2002.

Many Ministers of various State Governments and several Federal Ministers have attended lacrosse functions but this is thought to be the first occasion on which a Federal Minister for Sport has attended a game of lacrosse.

Senator Kemp and his Chief of Staff first met with Lacrosse Australia President Leighton Beamsley, 2002 World Championships Executive Officer and Lacrosse Australia Director Media, Marketing and Promotions Mavis Owens and Australian Team Executive Director Malcolm Stokes to discuss funding issues in relation to lacrosse generally, the 2002 World Championships and the Australian Team.

The Minister indicated that he was advised that lacrosse is a well-managed sport and listened to the issues discussed with interest. It was understood that no promises could be made but further discussions are to take place with Australian Sports Commission Chief Executive Mark Peters and staff of ASC and the Minister's Office.

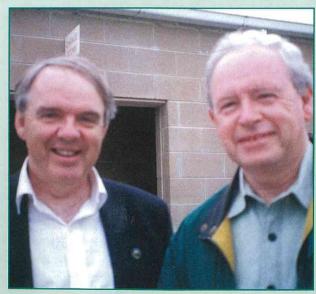
Presented with several issues of the Australian Lacrosse Journal, he stated that it is an impressive publication and he was able to speak with some knowledge, having been Editor of a publication himself. After discussing all issues the Minister and his Chief of Staff sat and watched the game and were very interested spectators.

The Minister indicated that his father had played lacrosse at Melbourne University and he also met up with a fellow parliamentarian in former Federal Treasurer Ralph Willis, who was at the game to watch son Evan playing in goals for Williamstown.

President Leighton Beamsley presented Lacrosse Australia pins, which the Minister attached to his lapel. He met Victorian Lacrosse Association President Ferg Stewart, former Australian goalkeeper Murray Keen, AWLC Official Jan Jackson and several other people at the game.

We were impressed and appreciative of the time given to lacrosse by the Minister and his Chief of Staff.

Since this meeting the Australian Sports Commission has provided funding support for the conduct of the World Championships but no funding for High Performance Programs which includes the 2002 Australian Lacrosse Team!



Catching up - Senator Rod Kemp (left) with former Federal Treasurer Ralph Willis (right).



Minister for the Arts and Sport, Senator Rod Kemp, watches the game with Lacrosse Australian President Leighton Beamsley (right) and Victorian Lacrosse Association President Ferg Stewart (left).

In the Net

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Victorian Lacrosse Association, President's Welcome

The Victorian Lacrosse Association fraternity is looking forward to Season 2002 with great anticipation.

Without a doubt the highlight for us all will be Perth in July, where we will watch our National Team do battle with the World's best. Already a small army of Victorians are planning their foray across the Nullabor where we will sit in the sunny West eating crayfish, drinking Fosters and shouting for the Aussies.

Of course we will have plenty of our teams competing in Perth too from State Seniors to Under15's. Will the Croweaters be able maintain their 2001 Momentum?? Will our Victorian junior teams in particular be able to come out on top again?? What about our Masters?? Will too long living the good life bring them undone?? Whatever happens it will be great fun.

In Victoria another season commenced on April 6th with the Seniors playing a 6 a side competition at Malvern. Malvern have the honour because this year is their Centenary Year. The Club will try to renew acquaintances with as many past players as possible during the year. Interested parties should contact the Malvern Secretary Keith Chamberlain on mailto: keith@lacrosse.net.au for details of events planned.

We fully expect another busy year in Victoria in 2002. The VLA will work hard to provide good competition at all levels, and with the disruption of Perth maybe there will be some upsets to the pattern that has developed over the past few years. Perhaps Williamstown will take its eye off the ball and is this the year for Eltham in State League, maybe Malvern will have the added incentive to cause an upset.? What about Altona at Div 1 level, after dipping their toes in the water last year. Maybe Melbourne University or Moreland as a couple of dark horses for Div 1. Maybe the experienced Surrey Park combination for Div 2 if they can dissuade some potential retirees.

As we have seen with our first Winter Olympics Gold Medal, anything is possible with perseverance and just an ounce of luck. Good luck to all Aussie lacrosse competitors and supporters for Season 2002

From the VLA Ferg Stewart

US Team Preparation

The US Lacrosse Team competing in the World Championship is playing a six-game exhibition schedule with games against a variety of teams on May 26 and June 1, 15, 22, 24 and 27.

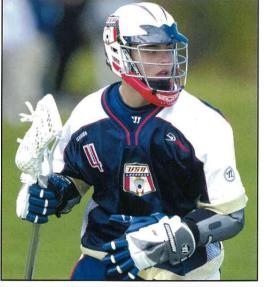
Youth Lacrosse in USA

An interesting article about a program run collaboratively by US Lacrosse and the National Recreation and Park Association was published in the October 2001 issue of P & R magazine. Information can be accessed on the website www.lacrosse.org

Team USA

Our spies captured these snaps of USA Team players at training! (Not really - they sent them to us!! Thanks John Strohsacker.)





Badges to Spain!

A Spanish collector of sports pins (badges) is seeking lacrosse related badges to add to his collection of more than 4000 badges.

You can send any badges to: Guillermo Jimenez Bardon, C/- Olimpiada No. 2, 10A 28040, Madrid, Spain

2002 WORLD LACROSSE CHAMPIONSHIP

Games Schedule

5-14th July 2002, UWA Sports Park, McGillivray Reserve, Mt Claremont, WA

DAY	GAME #	GAME	DIVISION	FIELD	TIME
1	Green 1	Hong Kong v Tonga	Green	4	10.00 am
Sat July 6		Wales v Scotland	Red	2	11.30 am
	2	Sweden v Japan	Red	Stadium	1.00 pm
	Green 2	New Zealand v Korea	Green	5	1.00 pm
	3	Germany v Czech Republic	Red	3	2.30 pm
	4	England v Canada	Blue	Stadium	4.00 pm
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	3	Iroquois v USA	Blue	Stadium	7.00 pm
		Australia (bye)			
2	Green 3	New Zealand v Hong Kong	Green	4	10.00 am
Sun July 7	6	Wales v Sweden	Red	2	11.30 am
	7	Czech Republic v Scotland	Red	Stadium	1.00 pm
	Green 4	Tonga v Ireland	Green	5	1.00 pm
	8	Japan v Germany	Red	3	2.30 pm
	9	USA v Australia	Blue	Stadium	4.00 pm
	10	England v Iroquois	Blue	Stadium	7.00 pm
		Canada (bye)			
3	Green 5	Hong Kong v Korea	Green	4	10.00 am
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		Germany v Wales	Red	Stadium	1.00 pm
	Green 6	Ireland v New Zealand	Green	5	1.00 pm
	13	Sweden v Scotland	Red	3	2.30 pm
	14	Iroquois v Canada	Blue	Stadium	4.00 pm
	15	Australia v England	Blue	Stadium	7.00 pm
		USA (bye)			
4	Green 7	Ireland v Hong Kong	Green	4	10.00 am
Tue July 9	16	Czech Republic v Wales	Red	2	11.30 am
	17	Scotland v Japan	Red	Stadium	1.00 pm
	Green 8	Korea v Tonga	Green	5	1.00 pm
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7	28	Red 5th v Winner Game 26	A THURSDAY	2	11.00 am
Fri July 12	29	Blue 5th v Red 3rd		Stadium	11.00 am
	30	Red 2nd v Loser	Game 27	Stadium	2.00 pm
	31	Blue 1st v Winner	Game 27	Stadium	5.00 pm
	32	Blue 2nd v Blue 3rd		Stadium	8.00 pm
		Red 4th (bye)			
8		REST DAY	All Teams		
Sat July 13					
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9	33	Loser Game 26 v Loser Game 28		2	9.00 am
Sun July 14	34	Red 4th v Winner Game 28		3	9.00 am
75753355	35	Winner G 29 v Winner G 30		Stadium	9.00 am
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	37	Loser G 31 v Loser G 32		Stadium	12.00 noon
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W. Harry		Presentation of Trophies		Stadium	5.30 pm
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		Championship Presentation Banquet, Challenge Stadium (Arena)			7.30 pm

NOTE:

- First named team is home team Green 1st is a team which is: a. A Full or Associate Member of the International Lacrosse Federation b. Fulfils the ILF eligibility criteria for World Championships and c. Finishes in the highest position of eligible teams competing in the Green Division
- Games 31 & 32 are Semi Finals Game 33 Winner is 11th place Game 34 Winner is 9th place Game 36 Winner is 7th place Game 35 Winner is 5th place
- Game 37 Winner is 3rd place
 Game 38 Winner is World Champion



LACROSSE WORLD CHAMPIONSHIP

PERTH, 5 - 14 JULY 2002

Your Questions Answered

1. Q: Why is the 2002 World Championship being held in Perth?

A: When State Associations were invited to 'bid' for the conduct of the event, WALA submitted a bid to Lacrosse Australia which was accepted. This, in turn, was submitted by Lacrosse Australia to the International Lacrosse Federation and was the successful bid for the event.

2. Q: Why is the event not being played at the WACA Ground, like the 1990 World Championships?

A: The 1990 World Championships had 5 teams participating - the 2002 World Championships has 16 teams participating. With 5 games every day for the Blue and Red Division the grass fields could not handle it. An artificial surface is required. The added benefit of the UWA Sports Park is that all the associated events in the Festival of Lacrosse (Under 15, Under 17, Masters, Grand Masters, Modcrosse etc.) can be played on adjoining fields so participants can walk to the main stadium.

3. Q: What is the Spectator capacity of the main stadium?

A: Whatever we make it! Because all the seating is being brought in, and every seat costs money to construct, the stadium capacity will be constructed according to the number of tickets ordered plus the number estimated to be sold before July. The plan is for all seats constructed to be pre-sold.

4. Q: Where are World Championship teams being accommodated?

A: The University of WA Colleges in Crawley, have been booked to accommodate all World Championship teams.

5. Q: What does a Series Ticket include?

A: Entry to the Gala Opening and all games in the Main stadium including semi finals and grand final - a total of 23 games.

6. Q: Are daily tickets available?

A: No - daily tickets are not being pre-sold. In the event that there are seats unsold when the Championships commence, daily tickets to fill unsold seats will be sold.

7. Q: What is the difference between Premium Tickets and Standard tickets?

A: Premium tickets (A\$250 Adult, A\$90 Child) are located between the restraining lines on the field. Standard tickets (A\$150 Adult, A\$60 Child) are from the restraining line to the end line. No tickets provide reserved specific seats.

8. Q: Is the event being televised?

A: Efforts to arrange television cover for some games, particularly finals, are on-going. Television-quality programs are being produced and broadcasters are being encouraged to broadcast them.

9. Q: How do I get to see the greatest lacrosse event in history?

A: Contact Ideal Events and Conference Managers on telephone (61-8) 9481 3988 or email iecm@idealcom.com.au for packages which include tickets, accommodation, airport transfers and discounts on a range of local attractions. If you only need tickets, you can book direct through the web at www.lacrosse2002.com. Purchase tickets online (www.lacrosse2002.com) or download an order form and fax or post.

10.Q: How do I find out about associated events?

A: Details are on the website at www.lacrosse2002.com

INTERNATIONAL OPEN TOURNAMENT FIXTURES

5-13th JULY 2002, UWA SPORTS PARK, McGILLIVRAY RESERVE, MT CLAREMONT, WA

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New Zealand A

Japanese U/21 National Team

USA West

USA West 19's

UNIFORMS

White lines

shorts with Blue trim

Blue & Red shirts with White trim

DATE/TIME FIELD

SAT 6

9.30 am	New Zealand A v Italy United	12
10.00 am	Aussie Highlanders v USA West 19's	
11.30 am	Japanese U/21 v USA West	12
12.00	Australia U/19 v Ireland *	

SUN 7

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12.00	USA West v Hong Kong *	6

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10.00 am	Aussie Highlanders v Hong Kong *	6
10.00 am	USA West v Ireland *	5
11.30 am	USA West 19's v New Zealand *	12
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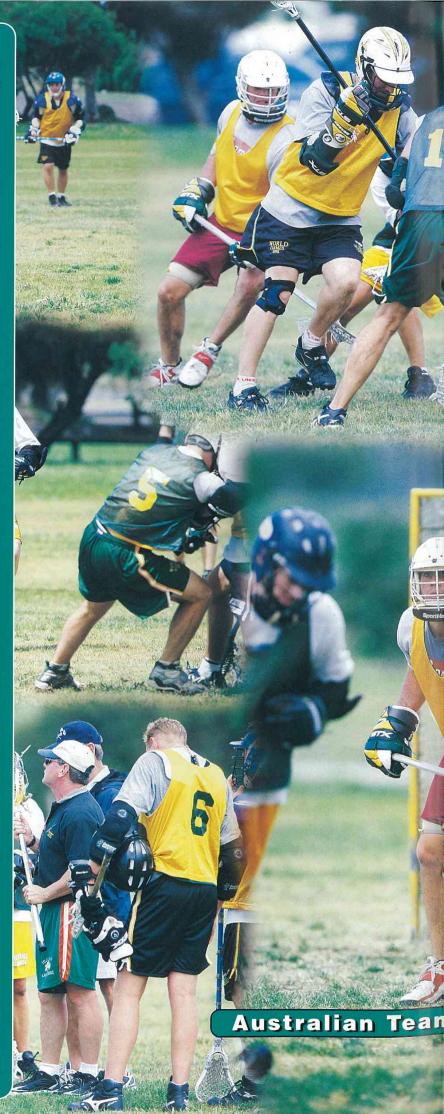
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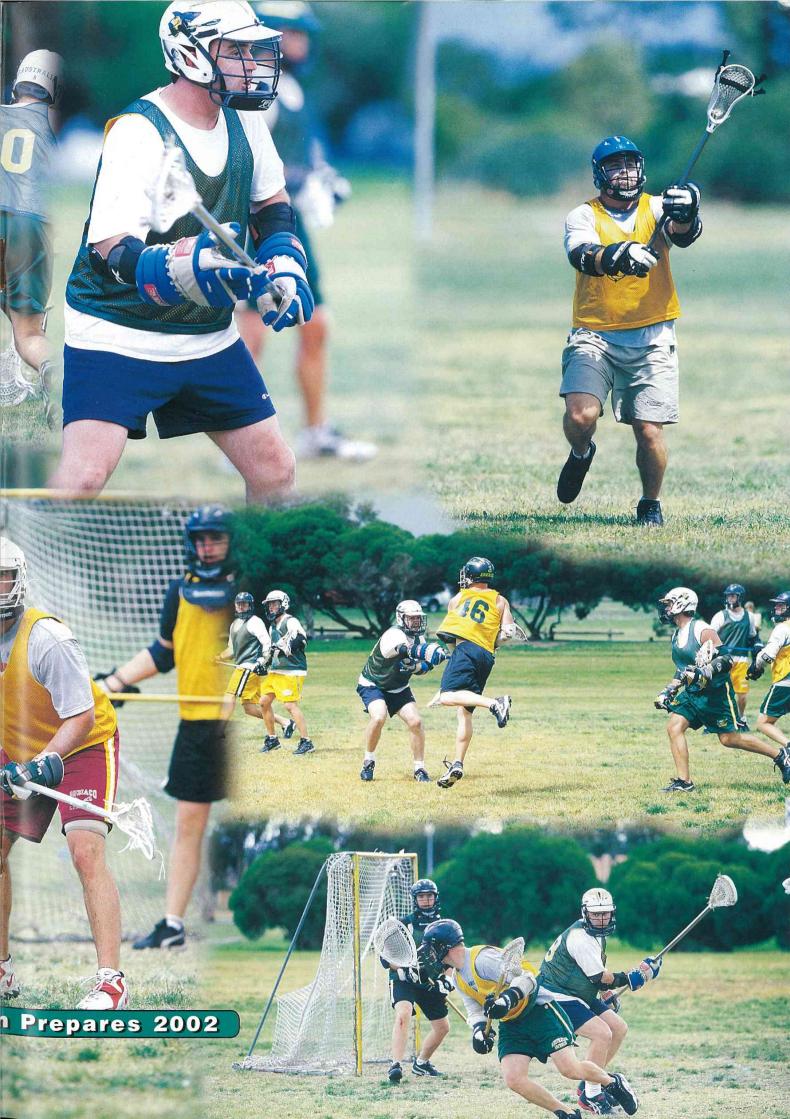
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12.00	Loser G36 * v Ireland *	

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- For the purpose of structuring these fixtures, Korea * has been chosen as the team finishing in 1st place in the Green Division and earning the right to contest Red Division 6th in the Thursday Play Off Game. Should this not occur, replace the Green Division 1st placed team * listed above in any games after Wednesday with, Korea. * First named team is Home Team
- * Denotes team from World Games which has rostered bye for the day
- Game times are subject to change on the day if any prior games run into overtime and sufficient warm-up time cannot be allocated to teams due to play. Field allocations are subject to change.





A Tribute to Harold Vincent Horner

15.01.1911 to 20.06.2001

This eulogy given at the funeral service of Harold Horner by long-standing friend Colin Mounsey, acknowledges Harold's outstanding contribution to the sport of lacrosse over many years.

I am both privileged and honoured to have the opportunity to share with you some of my recollections of my long association with Harold.

We shared a commitment to and love of the game of lacrosse; at times in bitter rivalry between opposing teams and later through our involvement in an administrative capacity.

For many years before I met Harold he was creating his place in the annals of Lacrosse history. After having been involved in the game during the late 1920s he became a founding member of the UWA Lacrosse Club in 1931 and subsequently was awarded the 'University Half Blue'. After graduating he resumed playing with the Midland Iroquois where he excelled. He won numerous club awards and on one occasion was voted the Fairest and Best player in the Western Australian Lacrosse Association (WALA). He also represented the State at the triennial championships held during the 1930s.

Like many other sportsmen Harold answered the call of duty and enlisted in the RAAF. After initial training and having qualified as a pilot he was posted overseas where he served in the UK, West Africa and Canada.

It was whilst serving in West Africa he established himself as both a caring and concerned leader of men and a skillful and competent flying boat captain. He attained a rank of Flight Lieutenant.

West Africa at the time was labelled as "the white man's grave" by those who served in that sphere. The isolation, loneliness, boredom of long and arduous surveillance flights rapidly sapped the confidence and morale of all, and particularly the young, many of whom were fresh out of school.

Harold's qualities and concerns were recognised by the base Commanding Officer and he was appointed as Officer in Charge of the welfare and recreational club. In a letter home he mentioned, "If ever young men wanted something to interest them and occupy their spare time it is here and now, and I am out to make a big job of it in my spare moments."

It was whilst on operations along the West African coast that his aircraft was forced to ditch some 140 miles out to sea. As the aircraft broke up Harold and four others escaped in a dinghy where they spent the next five days and nights before reaching an island. Harold's ability to instill confidence in others under the most adverse conditions was a significant factor in the group's survival. The crew was all posted as 'missing' but the group finally returned to base after 19 days. Rumour has it that one of Harold's initial comments upon his return was, "Who's stolen my bike?" which had also gone missing.

His outstanding service in all spheres of activity was recognised when he was awarded the Distinguished Flying Cross - the citation for which read - "Flight Lieutenant Horner had completed a large number of operational sorties, many of them entailing great care and endurance. This officer has been greatly responsible for the continued good health and morale of his companions, and has displayed great enthusiasm in his station duties and for the welfare of his men."

Upon completing his service with the RAAF he returned home and resumed his teaching career. He was promoted immediately as lecturer at Claremont Teachers College with the responsibility for arranging teaching practice, assessing students and developing sound teaching practices. He remained in this position until 1953 when he was appointed District Superintendent of Education for the Great Southern, Central Wheatbelt and later Central Metropolitan areas.

He was legendary in the discharge of his duties during that period.

With the return of men from conflict, lacrosse re-commenced its senior competition and since 1946 I have developed and maintained my association with and respect for Harold.

During the period 1946-1950 my team, Perth, and Iroquois contested for the premiership. We were successful only once. This didn't represent the relative strengths of the two teams. The difference was the 'Harold Horner factor'. It was through his ability to analyse the individual strengths and weaknesses of the opposition and to implement tactics to both nullify and exploit these that gave his team a tremendous advantage. Apart from that, he was a brilliant goalkeeper and an outstanding on-field general.

Wonderful powers of perception and analysis; the ability to motivate; the capacity to sympathise with and provide support for those in need of assistance; and the insistence on meticulous planning were all qualities which were synonymous with Harold.

At the end of his playing career Harold directed his enthusiasm to coaching, umpiring, team management and administration.

He served as President of the WALA for six years and the Australian Lacrosse Council (ALC) for four years. In each field he set and maintained standards to which most others could only aspire.

Harold always had the promotion and development of Lacrosse close to his heart. He also realised that there was a significant pool of experience and enthusiasm amongst those whose playing career had ended. He set about to harness this resource.

In 1963 he founded the Kuljak Lacrosse Club for those who had retired from, but maintained an interest in, the game. Harold was founding President for three years and Secretary for the next 25 years during which time he researched and produced a historical chronicle of Lacrosse from 1896 to 1983.

Although he retired from active duties after more than 60 years, until very recently he insisted on attending all major WALA meetings and functions.

AWARDS

Harold's contribution to sport and community service has been recognised widely with a number of awards:

- Life Member of the Midland Iroquois Lacrosse Club
- Life Membership of WALA
- The first Life Member of the Kuljak Lacrosse Club
- The first lacrosseur to be presented with the WA Sports Federation's, 'May Campbell Administrator of the Year' award
- The Fellowship of Lacrosse the highest honour of the ALC; and finally the
- OAM (Order of Australia Medal) for his contribution to sport and community service.

He would have been the most decorated lacrosseur in WA and probably Australia.

Whilst my longest association with Harold was through lacrosse he also had a dramatic influence on my life and career.

In 1952 the WALA was playing host to a visiting team. Harold was Chairman and I was Secretary of the organising committee. What happened during the event was immaterial, but at the conclusion he implanted the idea that I should change vocations and become a teacher.

On entering the teaching service I soon became aware of the extremely high regard in which Harold was held by students who he had taught, fellow lecturers, teachers and the education hierarchy. He was renowned for setting and achieving the highest standards of endeavour, planning and performance, appearance and behaviour. He always led by example.

He had a profound influence on many ex-service personnel studying under the CRTS through his understanding, empathy and support, while demonstrating his skills as a practitioner.

Later as a District Superintendent his influence on teachers, students and administrators was

legendary. He was quick to identify the gifted, those in need of help and the slackers and could administer praise, support and a 'rocket when required.

During his life's journey Harold touched and influenced many people of all ages in many walks of life by virtue of his wisdom, perception, perseverance and compassion. All have benefited from the experience.

Although he was small in stature he was a giant in every other respect.

He was my inspiration, adviser, mentor and friend.

But while we reflect on Harold's life and achievement we must remember, too, the contribution made by his lovely wife Doris and his family, Neil, Anne and Ian. Without their support much less could have been accomplished. We thank them for giving so much of Harold to us.

Colin Mounsey



COACHING KIDS

Kevin Sheehan, who is an Assistant Coach of the Australian Team, found it was helpful to use a different coaching vocabulary and methodology for coaching kids aged five to ten years old. Outlined below are a few of the concepts he suggests.

Tight Stick

The first concept that I would like to suggest to you is that which I call a tight stick. If you watch some of the best players in the world, you will notice that they grip the stick almost on the plastic, even as they choke up on the bottom. I refer to this as keeping a tight stick. No one has a tighter stick than Tom Marechek. It does several things simultaneously for the developing or the accomplished player. It makes it easier to catch any ball, even a ball to the offside. The real advantage of a tight stick may be the one that the Canadians seem to most exhibit. When checked, the closer your hand is to the plastic, the more secure the ball seems to be. Certainly, the most profound effect of this grip will be to tighten up every dodge and move a player makes. The grip is for catching and stick protection. On passing, hands are slid back into the traditional grip on the stick.

Third Ear

After instilling the grip and mindset of the tight stick, I insist that players think of the stick as

their third ear. This concept keeps the stick close to the head in the imaginary box that we all learned by and envisioned as we developed. However, the third ear is much more descriptive of a stick that is closer to the head than one kept in the imaginary box of our day. As a third ear, players will automatically keep the stick close to their body with their wrist attached to ribs. (Wrist to ribs). This concept keeps players from carrying a suitcase, which is all too easily checked. As you teach a face dodge, teach a player to simply shift his third ear. This has the effect of tightening the entire dodge. Given the lightweight nature of six-foot defensive sticks, carrying the stick close to their ear may be the only deterrent to the long range checks delivered by today's more aggressive checking defensemen.

Magic Hands

One of the most awe-inspiring actions to observe in the game today is to observe Mark Millon do a split dodge. His speed and power through the dodge are incredible, but what may be more impressive is how quickly his hands move as he switches from right to left hand. When I describe his switch of hands to developing players, the word "magic" comes to mind. It's almost like a slight of hand as his stick moves from right to left or left to right. In describing this switch as "magic hands", I have

been able to have five-year-olds switch hands as deftly as accomplished players. I have them work on this switch almost as if they are practising magic. When we meet in the centre circle for instruction, I ask them to display a tight stick, held as a third ear, and to work on developing magic hands. As they switch, Millon-like, from hand to hand without a ball, all coaches and volunteers correct any players unable to get the feel for this switch of hands. This switch of hands also insures that they use both hands at an earlier age than they would have if left to their own devices. As they develop, I will instruct them to have a catch using magic hands and instantly they will be either catching or passing with their weak hand (Even at 5!) Since their strong hand performs at least part of the action they'll develop a stronger offhand without the total frustration of having them rely only on their underdeveloped hand. If they keep a tight stick, they will find magic hands leads them into a powerful split dodge as their hands are closer together making for a quicker switch. In the heat of a game, I can yell 'magic hands' at a key point in the game and the player can not only be reminded of what I want them to do, but will also probably possess significant muscle memory so that the dodging motion becomes automatic.

AUSTRALIAN

Since the December issue of the Australian Lacrosse Journal the Australian Team has revised the Team Program and had to eliminate the proposed Easter Camp due to cost restraints.

The camp in Melbourne from Friday 15th February to Sunday 24th February was considered successful by participants. Training was at the Altona Lacrosse Club grounds and included tests for all players at the Body World Gymnasium in St Kilda and the 'Beep' Test. Strength and conditioning coach Ben Hitchins was satisfied with the Team members test results which demonstrated that players are following their programs to produce a significant increase in the average team results.

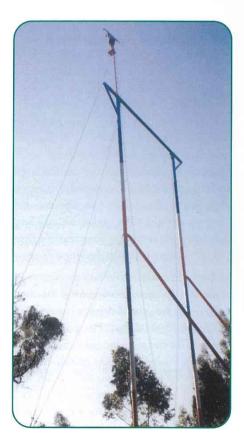
The game against a combined Melbourne team coached by Brad Bell at the Doncaster Hockey Ground on Sunday 17th February gave the Team coaches some leads on areas needing attention, and a second game at the same venue against a Williamstown team (depleted by Australian team members and other player losses) provided a more pleasing result for the team. Thanks to Sue Gandy for preparing a program for distribution at this game.

A three day live-in camp, including a special program conducted by the camp management, was considered a highlight of this camp. The evaluations conducted independently by the camp management produced positive feedback with more than 90% of team members rating it an 8, 9 or 10 score on the 5 elements rated and many expressing a desire for more time there. Team members undertook a range of activities that required them to work together to achieve specified goals. Working in 2 teams they had some members blindfolded for several tasks, and were aiming at time records for some activities. This camp assisted in the process of selection of the Team captains, who were announced to the team before the final game against Williamstown. Congratulations to Darren Nicholas, Matt Schomburg and Matt Windsor on their appointments.

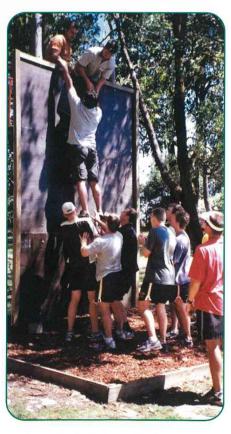
Team members requested a weekend camp in April/May before they come together in Perth for the World Championships. This was held in Melbourne on May 18th and 19th.



The blindfolded Peter Inge left to negotiate the log - he made it!



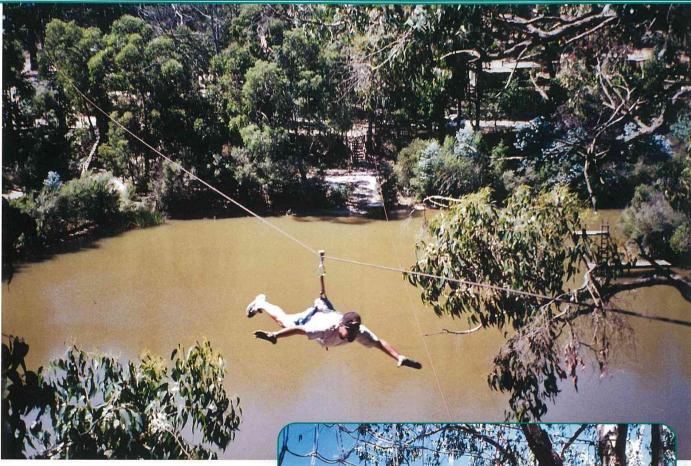
A long way up - and it was windy!



Weight lifting - and arm lengthening!



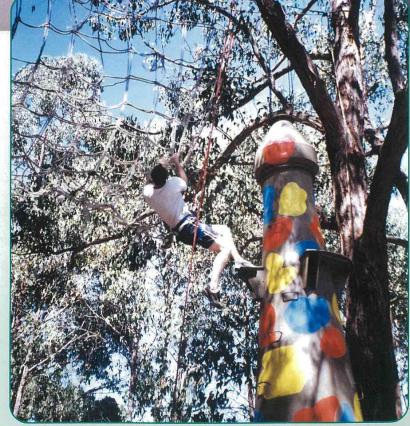
TEAM PREPARES



Above: Soaring with eagles!

The cost of all team activities are shared equally by all team members who have already been required to contribute more than \$3000 each to this stage. We have all the elements required for success - but finance is the factor causing most distress to team members. Support is required from the Australian Sports Commission, as it has been provided for previous Australian Teams (and in large quantities to other sports) to enable Australia to be represented by the best team in the World Championships. We are still talking with the ASC about this issue, and looking for a positive outcome.

The team program for Perth in July is being refined and commences on Friday June 28th with team members from other states arriving in Perth. The team is looking forward to the Championships.



One of the toughest activities - all on your own!



MODCROSSE / SOFCROSSE PARTICIPATION

There will be a Sofcrosse and Modcrosse Tournament day held at The Lacrosse World Championships to coincide with the Lacrosse Events. This is a wonderful opportunity for children to participate in such a major sporting event held in Perth.

The Sofcrosse and Modcrosse tournament style will be run on a Carnival Type Competition with no actual winning team on the day. Teams from the 6 Registered Clubs around Perth will be participating in 3 age groups. There will be Sofcrosse, Under 11's and Under 13's. Players may attend the Carnival as individuals or may come as an actual registered team from one of the clubs. Contact Mark Simpfendorfer on (08) 9342 4670 if you are visiting Perth and wish to play.

Rules of play will be in accordance with the Wanneroo Sofcrosse Club Rules and will be strictly monitored by all umpires. All players and teams will be encouraged to play at least 3 full games on the day. As there will be many players participating, all registered teams must play in their club team shirts. Sofcrosse players will only play 2 games.

All players attending the Modcrosse Sofcrosse Day must be supervised by either a parent or coach.

Players that participate will receive a Certificate of Participation.

MODCROSSE / SOFCROSSE DAY: Wednesday 10th JULY 2002 (School Holidays)

VENUE: UWA SPORTS PARK, McGILLIVRAY RESERVE Adjacent to Challenge Stadium, Stephenson Ave, Mt Claremont

TIME: Modcrosse Games will be 1 hour with a 1/2 hour between each game. From 9.00 am to 2.30 pm. Sofcrosse Games will be 1 hour with a 1/2 hour between each game. From 9.00 am to 11.30am First game Starts at 9.00 am Second game at 10.30 am Third game at 12.00 pm Fourth game at 1.30 pm

What to Bring on the day

- All players should bring their own Modcrosse or Sofcrosse Sticks!
- A Hat or Cap
- Their Team Shirts if playing in a team
- · A drink or money to purchase drinks during the day
- Players can bring their own Lunches There will however be facilities to buy lunches and drinks

ILF Golf Day

"The Tradition Begins"

Date:

Monday, 8 July 2002

Venue:

Burswood Park Golf Complex

www.burswoodparkgolfcourse.com

Competition: Ambrose Fours

Entry Fee:

AUD500.00 per team (AUD125.00 per person)

Prizes:

Best Teams, Nearest Pins, Long Drives, NAGA

"Door prize" of dinner for two

Registration:

Includes:

- Shared cart
- On-course beverage service
- "Cross-over" snack
- BBQ lunch
- Presentation event hosted by Burswood Park

Contact Bruce Jackson on telephone 9402 5798, 24-48 hours before the event for your allocated time.

Note:

- (1) If less than four persons registered, other golfers will be added to your team.
- Please show current registered handicap.
- (3) Golf equipment is available for hire at an additional fee.
- Please forward completed registration forms and cheques payable to: "WALA - ILF Golf Day"

Send to: Michael Gates, PO Box 183, Maylands, Western Australia 6931

Registration Form

Team Members Handicap

Hire Equipment Required

• Clubs: Full / Half Set RH / LH

• Other:

Tee Off Times

Please circle your preferred time:

7:15 - 7:45am 7:45 - 8:15am 8:15 - 8:45am 8:45 - 9:15am



Greetings from South Australia

In 2001 we had great excitement when our Men and Women's teams both won the Senior Championships. It's 25 years since we did this and maybe because we are a combined body everyone shared the joy. Let this be a warning to everyone that we fully intend doing it again this year!



There has been a lot of discussion about the Festival of Lacrosse in Perth and we are not playing any

men's matches for that three week period as so many of our players, coaches, referees and supporters are going to be there. We are all looking forward to some great lacrosse and meeting friends from all over the world.

Our season is underway and we once again have teams playing in grades U11, U13, U15, U17, Senior B, League Reserves and League. Our numbers increased in both juniors and seniors last year so we hope we can continue the trend.

Our Development Officer Judy Inkster has been conducting Lacrosse Clinics in the Country Regions over the last few years. The Office of Recreation and Sport like to give children all over the State the opportunity to learn new skills, and since they pay the D.O's wages we don't argue. These clinics in schools have culminated in Regional Carnivals. The one at Victor Harbor last year had 25 teams and at Berri in the Riverland we had 16 Primary School teams with 18 High School students doing the refereeing. We received letters from a lot of the students afterwards and to quote a couple "I have always wanted to know what you do with the funny sticks you play with. I hope you will come again soon" from Tamara and from Ross "Thank you for the great time on Wed 17.8.01. It was great fun and everyone had a really great time and had fun learning new skills and playing the games. We've started our own class competitions for Friday lunch time". These activities have certainly been worthwhile and we will continue them in the coming year.

Last year we instigated a Secondary Schools Carnival Day and were very happy to have 19 teams participate. We will certainly be doing that again in 2002. This is in addition to our Association Junior Lightning Carnival.

As I see what we want to accomplish this year, I have the feeling we are going to be very busy, but of course not as busy as the Lacrosse fraternity in Western Australia. May I say "THANK YOU" to them in advance for giving us the opportunity to take part in something that may well be the one and only time such an enormous event will take place in Australia, if not the World.

To all our lacrosse friends "Enjoy the coming season and we will see you in Perth"

Helen Keane President, Lacrosse S.A.

W.A. Welcome to Season 2002

However you look at it, Season 2002 will be the biggest and best in W.A. Lacrosse history. The centerpiece, of course, will be the Festival of Lacrosse, incorporating the World Championships, to be held at UWA Sports Park from 6 to 14 July. There is a growing anticipation in Perth for the chance to welcome old and new friends, as well as the best lacrosse players in the world from 16 nations, the most ever represented at a World Championship.



In view of the Festival, the opportunity has been taken to introduce several innovations to the Club season. The "New Futures" project initiated by the WALA Board last year identified many initiatives that will ensure that the sport in W.A. continues to grow and flourish.

The key changes for season 2002 are:

- The season structure; the Club season for seniors will run from April to June, incorporating night games, culminating in finals before the National championships. A separate spring competition will run during August and September in which all games will be played at a single venue each week.
- Rule changes; playing rules and other policies have been altered to promote a faster, more even senior competition. These include a 10-second clear rule, the use of "swing" players between grades, and new rules governing qualification for Finals.
- International players; recognizing the number of international players that will visit Perth this year, new rules have been established governing the allocation of international player quotas to Clubs and the use of guest players.
- Junior competition; the largest Under 13 competition in our history of up to 14 teams will undergo a grading process during the first five weeks before splitting into two "leagues".
- Modcrosse; a programme to further expand the modcrosse base, particularly in new areas, will be implemented in collaboration with the Clubs.

Driving these changes is a leaner Board comprising myself, David Spreadborough, Chris Hockey and Kim Gillespie, supported by Project Managers. Implementing change is challenging, but we have been encouraged by the willingness of the Clubs (after some vigorous debates!) to embrace this new vision for the sport in W.A.

We hope to see you all in Perth in July.

Allan Griffiths, WALA President

Australian Senior Championships

Good luck to all participants in the Australian Senior Championships being conducted at Rosalie Park Subiaco from June 29th to July 3rd.

A special good luck to the Australian U19 squad which is participating in preparation for the World U19 tournament in 2003.

THREE FLAGS IN

A report from Graham Lester on the first tournament played in Italy. This tournament was conducted in preparation for the Italy United Team participating in the International Open tournament of the Festival of Lacrosse in Perth, 2002.

On a cold Monday morning, in February 2002, Graham Lester, a Lacrosse referee, was opening his e-mail in Manchester, England. Lester was intrigued by a message from Steve Stenersen, Executive Director of US Lacrosse. Steve has been highly involved in Lacrosse development on behalf of the International Lacrosse Federation for many years and the subject "ROME TOURNY" caught Lester's eve. Interested to know whether the memo concerned Rome Georgia, Rome Illinois, Rome Wisconsin or Rome Wherever-in-America, Lester opened the e-mail and was most surprised to find that it referred to Rome, Italy, and that referees were required! Seventy days later, Lester found himself sitting in the sunshine at a pavement café table, sipping a birra, and gazing at the Colosseum.



The two-day tournament was to be held on Saturday, 27th April and Sunday, 28th April, at The American Overseas School of Rome, on Via Cassia, near to Nero's tomb. Robert Corna, an expatriate American working in Rome, had introduced the game to the school and had been given equipment by the ILF/IFWLA Development Committee. Robert's team is roughly 1/3 Italian and 1/3 American, with the other boys coming from, inter alia, Israel, Germany, Midway and the Marshall Islands.

Robert had invited a youth team from Radotin, in the Czech Republic, and a mixed team from Salzburg, Austria, to take part. For both the Italian team and the Austrian team, this was to be their first ever experience of Lacrosse in a match situation.

Robert already had Ken Galluccio lined up to referee. Ken is a New Yorker who has lived in Germany for a number of years. He played in goal for Germany in the early European



Championships and, more recently, has taken to refereeing. He is now the Head Referee in Germany and will be the German Referee in Perth for the World Games in July. Veteran English referee Nick Ireland, with a couple of trips to Germany as a whistler under his belt, made up the three-man squad. Nick, like Lester, had also been a goalie. What better start could the Italians and the Austrians have to their Lacrosse careers than to have three former goalkeepers in charge of proceedings?

In order to make the most of the sightseeing opportunities, Nick and Graham and their wives, Carol and Linda, all four of them veterans of the Berlin Open Tournament, decided to be in Rome from the Thursday to the Monday. This meant a 4.00 alarm call so that a 6.30 flight from Manchester could be taken. After a stop in Zurich and spectacular views of the Alps en route, the four arrived in Rome just after noon.

The zebras and their partners were met at the airport by their hosts, John and Clare Cosenza, American expatriates who have three children at The American Overseas School. After a couple of drinks at John's and Clare's fantastic apartment, with its wonderful views, the sightseeing began.

First stop was the Spanish Steps, followed by the Trevi Fountain where, of course, coins were thrown to ensure a return to Rome. A walk westward along the River Tiber led to the Castel St Angelo and the Mausoleo Di Adriano. A time-out was taken at a pavement bar overlooking St Peter's Square before looking round St Peter's itself. In the evening, the quartet met up with Robert for dinner at the Fonclea Restaurant in Via Crescenzio. Incredibly, on the walls of the restaurant, were a lacrosse stick, a cricket bat and a croquet mallet! Were they in Roma or in Manchester? The weekend's activities were discussed and plans for the games were made.

Ken had arrived late on Thursday evening and joined the group for sight-seeing on Friday. Leaving Rome by the South Gate and travelling along the Appian Way, featured in the film Spartacus, the first stop was the Catacombs. The

group stood in an underground chamber in which nine Popes had been buried. The return journey took in the Circus Maximus, home of chariot racing some 2,000 years ago, the first house in Rome, built by Romulus, and the Caracalla Baths, which were once capable of holding 3,000 bathers at a time. Lunch was taken at a pavement café table across the road from the Coliseum. In the afternoon, a walk though the Roman Forum, followed by a walk northward along the River Tiber, led to the Vatican.

On Friday evening, all the players and officials gathered at the Pizzarito Restaurant, Robert welcomed the participants. The Austrian coach, Arthur Arh, and the Czech coach, Milan Topol, responded. The English Lacrosse Association had commissioned a plaque, inscribed in Italian, to commemorate the first ever games in Italy, and Nick presented this to Robert. The players were somewhat surprised to learn that Nick and Graham had been in Lacrosse for a total of 103 years! Graham Lester said a few words about the importance of development to the ILF and, mindful of the shortage of equipment in Italy, presented his goalie's stick from the 1974 World Games to Robert. It does have a plastic head, but any other similarity with a 21st-century stick is purely accidental!

Saturday began with a Rules Clinic, excellently conducted by Ken Galluccio. Safety was Ken's main emphasis.

The first game, with 20-minute quarters, was Italy versus Austria/Czech. Ken took the first coin-toss but, sadly, created Italian Lacrosse history by dropping the coin. Lester promised not to tell anybody - at least, not until they got to Perth! Due to a shortage of helmets, with officials' times-out to allow for changes, the game took something in the region of thee hours! It was decided that, henceforth, 8-a-side, with a modified off-side rule, would be played in order to expedite the equipment changes.





THE FOUNTAIN

The final score was 16-1 to Austria/Czech: but Italian Lacrosse was up and running! When the Italian goal was scored, there was an official time-out and Robert was presented with the ball.

The second game ran for two 20-minute periods. The Czech team beat Italy 15-0. The final Saturday game saw Austria beat Italy 5-2. It was already clear that both the Rome team and the Salzburg team had improved as Saturday had progressed.

On Saturday evening, the teams met at an Irish bar in the Campo di Fiori. A walk took in the Piazza Navona, which the Romans used to flood for boat races, the Pantheon and the Trevi Fountain, which was a very different spectacle under lights. More coins were thrown, as some sort of insurance policy!



Sunday began with a further Rules Clinic. Ken fielded questions, went over points from the previous day and then moved on to technical matters. It was decided to play four games of two 15-minute halves each.

In order to strengthen the Italian defence, Robert played point. This certainly made a difference and the result of the first game was a 3-0 Czech win over Italy. The Czech goalie played with Lester's stick. Lester thought that it was no accident that the stick did not concede a goal during the game, despite the fact that 10 goals had got(ten) by it in England's first quarter against the USA in Melbourne in 1974! Nostalgia is not what it used to be!

The second game was a mixed game. The referees split all the players into Reds and Blues and a tight game ended 4-2.

The Czechs beat the Austrians 7-1 after lunch.

When the last game of the weekend came round, only Italy out of the three teams had not won a game, but everybody felt that Italy versus Austria was going to be close. In a tense nail-



biter, the score was 1-1 with a few minutes on the clock when one of the Italian boys on the Rome team, Paulo Bernardini, hit the onion bag to put Italy ahead. In a desperate finale, the Blues narrowly hung on to record Italy's firstever win, by 2 goals to 1. Robert was presented with the match-ball at full-time.

The Headmaster of The AOSR, Dr Larry W. Dougherty, conveyed to the referees how appreciative he was of the patient and empathetic way in which the event had been handled. Dr. Dougherty intimated that he would like future Lacrosse events to take place in Rome and that he would encourage the team to travel, too.

At the post-games presentations, the Italian goalie, Michael Ley, who had played bravely and outstandingly all weekend, was declared Tournament MVP. Robert presented Michael with Lester's stick but, sadly, became confused and called it "his 1932 World Games" stick. The many who know Lester, and the few who like him, all know that even he does not look that old! Robert made presentations to the coaches and the referees and thanked them for their efforts. The contribution of the ILF/IFWLA Development Committee was recognised. Robert indicated that a joint Austria/Italy team for Perth was a possibility and that he is trying to get boys to a Lacrosse camp in the Czech Republic in the autumn.

Arthur, the Austrian coach, preparing for an 8-hour drive home, and Milan, the Czech coach,



preparing for a 13-hour drive home, both thanked Robert for his fantastic efforts in bringing the Tournament about and both thanked the referces for their support.

Ken, Nick and Graham had clubbed together to buy a set of referee's gear for Italian Lacrosse. This was presented to Robert, who was told that all he has to do now is "find a body to fill it"! Robert wore the shirt at dinner that evening, so at least a start has been made!

The referees involved wish to place on record their appreciation of the superb efforts of Robert Corna in getting Lacrosse going in Rome. It must have seemed like an impossible task at times, being many, many miles from any other Lacrosse centre, but, despite all the obstacles, the weekend was a complete success. Carol, Linda, Nick and Graham also wish to thank their Hosts the Cosenza family, who made them so welcome and who could not do enough for them. Clare's first encounter with English Lacrosse referees caused her to say: "Thank you - I now have room in my fridge for Coca-Cola". Both Nick and Graham were confused by this!



And thus came to an end the first Lacrosse games ever played in the Eternal City. In 280 minutes of Lacrosse, 7 games had been played, 59 goals had been scored and many friendships had been made. The coins will, surely, take effect and International Lacrosse will return to Rome one day soon, to experience again la Dolce Vita! Arrivederci Roma.

If anyone can help Robert in any way, including his vision of getting a team to Perth, then they should contact him on: corndogproductions@yahoo.com

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2002 FESTIVAL OF LACROSSE

5-13th JULY 2002, UWA SPORTS PARK, McGILLIVRAY RESERVE, MT CLAREMONT, WA

UNDER 15 TOURNAMENT FIXTURES

TEAMS	UNIFORMS
Eastside Kings (Vic)	Maroon & Silver / Grey
Northern Thunder (WA)	Maroon body- Pale Blue shoulders & sleeves - White sides Maroon shorts with White sidestrip
Northern Warriors (Vic)	The state of the s
Panthers (Combined)	
Southern Braves (WA)	Royal Blue & Emerald Green
Southern Crosse (Vic)	Note that Windows - Management of the Control of th
Western Metro (Vic)	Black - Blue - White
Western Reds (SA)	Green & Red
World Class Allstars (USA)	Navy body - Red shoulders - White side - White
	numbers Navy shorts with White strip & Red stars
DATE/TIME	FIELD

	numbers Navy shorts with White stri	ip & Red s
DATE/TIME		FIEL
SAT 6		
9.00 am	Northern Thunder v Eastside Kings	10
9.00 am	W. C. L. v Northern Warriors	11
11.00 am	Western Reds v Southern Braves	10
11.00 am	Western Metro v Southern Crosse	11
1.00 pm	Eastside Kings v W. C. L.	10
	Panthers - BYE	
SUN 7		
9.00 am	Southern Braves v Northern Thunder	10
9.00 am	Panthers v Western Reds	11
11.00 am	Northern Warriors v Western Metro	10
1.00 pm	Southern Braves v W. C. L.	10
1.00 pm	Southern Crosse v Panthers	11
	Eastside Kings - BYE	
MON 8		
9.00 am	Northern Thunder v W. C. L.	11
11.00 am	Southern Crosse v Northern Warriors	10
11.00 am	Western Metro v Panthers	11
1.00 pm	Southern Braves v Eastside Kings	10
1.00 pm	Western Reds v Northern Thunder	11
TUE 9	W 2 1 2 1 1 1	
9.00 am	Western Reds v Eastside Kings	10
9.00 am	W. C. L. v Western Metro	11
11.00 am	Panthers v Northern Thunder	10
11.00 am	Southern Crosse v Southern Braves	11
1.00 pm	Western Reds v W. C. L.	10
1.00 pm	Eastside Kings v Northern Warriors	11
WED 10		
9.00 am	W. C. L. v Southern Crosse	10
9.00 am	Northern Warriors v Northern Thunder	11
11.00 am	Western Metro v Western Reds	10
11.00 am	Panthers v Eastside Kings	11
1.00 pm	Northern Thunder v Southern Crosse	11
	Southern Braves - BYE	
THU II		
9.00 am	Western Metro v Southern Braves	10
9.00 am	Panthers v Northern Warriors	11
11.00 am	Eastside Kings v Southern Crosse	10
1.00 pm	Southern Braves v Panthers	10
1.00 pm	Northern Warriors v Western Reds	11
	Northern Thunder & W. C. L BYE	
FRI 12		
9.00 am	Southern Crosse v Western Reds	. 10
9.00 am	Eastside Kings v Western Metro	11
11.00 am	Northern Warriors v Southern Braves	10
11.00 am	W. C. L. v Panthers	11
1.00 pm	Northern Thunder v Western Metro	11
SAT 13		
9.00 am	7th v 8th	10
11.00 am	5th v 6th	10
11.00 am	3rd v 4th	11
1.00 pm	Grand Final 1st v 2nd	10
OTF: First nam.	ed team is Home Team	

NOTE: • First named team is Home Team.

• Field allocations are subject to change.

UNDER 17 TOURNAMENT FIXTURES Incorporating AUSTRALIAN U17 CHAMPIONSHIP

TEAMS		UNIFORMS			
Baltimore Players	(USA)	Red tops White shorts	Red tops White shorts		
Hurricanes (Victo	ria)		Grey with Navy Blue numbers Navy Blue shorts		
Presidents (Combined)		with White stripe Yellow Body - Dark Blue sleeves - Red trim and			
South Australia		numbers - Black shorts Red with Gold and Royal Blue. Gold numbers Red shorts with Gold and Blue stripes Navy Blue with White trim and numbers Navy Blue shorts with White trim			
Victorian					
Western Australia		Black & Gold			
World Class Allsta	rs (USA)	Navy Blue - Red shoulders - W numbers Navy Blue shorts with Red stars			
DATE/TIME			FIELD		
SAT 6					
9.30 am	Hurri	canes v Baltimore Players	7		
9.30 am	W. A.	v W. C. L.	8		
12.30 pm		v Vic * (CG1)	9		
	Presic	lents - BYE			
SUN 7		7			
9.30 am	W. C.	. L. v Hurricanes	7		
9.30 am	Loser	CG1 v Presidents	8		
12.30	Baltir	nore Players v W. A.	9		
	Winn	er CG1 - BYE			
MON 8					
9.30 am	Presid	ents v W. A.	7		
9.30 am	Winn	er CG1 v Hurricanes	8		
12.30 pm		CG1 v Baltimore Players L BYE	9		
TUE 9					
9.30 am	Hurri	canes v Presidents	7		
9.30 am	Loser	CG1 v W. C. L.	8		
12.30 pm		er CG1 v W. A. * (CG2) nore Players - BYE	9		
WED 10					
9.30 am	Baltin	nore Players v Winner CG1	7		
9.30 am	W.C.	L. v Presidents	8		
12.30 pm	0796	v Hurricanes	9		
	Loser	CG1 - Bye			
THU II					
9.30 am	Presid	ents v Winner CG1	7		
9.30 am	W. C.	L. v Baltimore Players	8		
12.30 pm		CG1 v W. A. * (CG3)	9		
	Hurri	canes - BYE			
FRI 12					
9.30 am	Hurri	canes v Loser CG1	7 *		
9.30 am	Winn	er CG1 v W. C. L.	8		
12.30		ents v Baltimore Players rn Australia - BYE	9		
SAT 13					
9.30 am	5th T.	Team v 6th T. Team	7		
9.30 am	3rd St	ate Team v 4th T. Team	8		
12.30 pm	Cham	pionship Grand Final 1 v 2	9		
	7th To	ournament Team - BYE			
NOTE:					
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- Australian Championship is open to fully affiliated States of Lacrosse Australia only.
- \bullet * Denotes Australian Championship qualifying game.
- First named team is Home Team.
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TOURNAMENT FIXTURES

5-13th JULY 2002, UWA SPORTS PARK, McGILLIVRAY RESERVE, MT CLAREMONT, WA

MASTERS (35+) TOURNAMENT FIXTURES

TEAMS		UNIFORMS		
Atlantic Sportswear (USA)		White with red and blue		
Crease Monkeys (USA)		Red with white shoulders and blue piping	g	
		Red shorts with white sides and blue pip	ing	
Low Achievers (NSW)		Black with white trim (Black shorts)		
Team Toyota (USA)		White uniform with black shoulders and	trim.	
		Red Print and letters		
Team Zipang (Japan)		Red with gold and black trim (Red short	s with gold	
W.		& black trim)		
West Aussie Masters		Green and gold (Green and gold shorts)		
DATE/TIME			FIELD	
SAT 6				
9.00	Toyota	a v Atlantic	16	
11.00	CM v	LA	14	
1.00	Zipan	g v West Aussie	14	
SUN 7				
9.00	Crease	Monkeys v Zipang	16	
11.00	Low Achievers v Toyota		14	
1.00	Atlant	ic v West Aussie	14	
MON 8				
9.00	Zipan	g v Toyota	16	
11.00	$W\!A\;v$	CM	14	
1.00	Low Achievers v Atlantic 14		14	
TUE 9				
9.00	Atlantic v CM		16	
11.00	Toyota v West Aussie 14		14	
1.00	Zipang v LA 14		14	
WED 10				
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тни п				
9.00	WA v LA		16	
11.00	Atlantic v Zipang 14		14	
1.00	Crease Monkeys v Toyota 14		14	
FRI 12				
9.00	(Semi	Final 1) 5th v 6th	16	
11.00	(Semi	Final 2) 2nd v 3rd	14	
1.00	(Semi Final 3) 1st v 4th 14		14	
SAT 13				
9.00	Loser ((SF1) v Loser (SF3)	16	
11.00	Winne	er (SF1) v Loser (SF2)	16	
1.00 pm	Winne	er (SF2) v Winner (SF3)	16	
NOTE:				

NOTE:

- First named team is Home Team
- Team Zipang is ineligible to win Tournament.
- Game times are subject to change on the day if any prior games run into overtime and sufficient warm-up time cannot be allocated to teams due to play.
- Field allocations are subject to change

GRAND MASTERS (45+) TOURNAMENT FIXTURES

TEAMS	UNIFORMS			
Canada West	Red body - Black shoulders - White numbers & trim			
Old Glory (USA)	(Black shorts) White body - Red shoulders - Red sides - Blue			
Old Gold (WA)	numbers and wording			
USA Eagles		Gold with black trim (Black shorts) White body - Blue Shoulders - Blue sides - Red		
OJA Lagies	numbers and wording	nie sides - Ked		
USA Stars	Red body - Blue shoulders - Whi	ra sidas White		
C Off Otars	numbers and wording	te sides - winte		
USA Stripes	Blue body - Red shoulders - Whi	ta cidac White		
e on others	numbers and wording	te sides - willte		
Vintage Reds (SA)	Red with yellow & blue trim (Re	d shorts with		
8	yellow & blue trim)	d shorts with		
DATE/TIME		FIELD		
SAT 6				
9.00	Stripes v Old Glory	13		
11.00	Canada West v Old Gold	13		
1.00	Vintage Reds v Eagles	15		
	Stars - BYE			
CUN 7				
SUN 7 9.00	Old Clamary Viana B. J.	1.2		
11.00	Old Glory v Vintage Reds Eagles v Stripes	13		
1.00	Old Gold v Stars	13		
1.00	Canada West - BYE	15		
MON 8				
9.00	Eagles v Stars	13		
11.00	Stripes v Old Gold	13		
1.00	Old Glory v Canada West	15		
	Vintage Reds - BYE			
TUE 9				
9.00	Old Gold v Vintage Reds	13		
11.00	Stars v Canada West	13		
1.00	Eagles v Old Glory	15		
	Stripes - BYE			
WED 10				
8.30	Old Gold v Eagles	12		
8.30	Canada v Vintage Reds	15		
10.30	Stars v Stripes	15		
	Old Glory - BYE			
(Amarica Station)				
THU II				
9.00	Canada West v Eagles	13		
11.00	Stars v Old Glory	13		
1.00	Vintage Reds v Stripes	15		
	Old Gold - BYE			
FRI 12				
9.00	Stripes v Canada West	13		
11.00	Vintage Reds v Stars	13		
1.00	Old Glory v Old Gold	15		
	Eagles - BYE			
CAT				
SAT 13	5.1 × 1	15		
9.00	5th v 6th	15		
11.00	3rd v 4th	15		
1.00	1st v 2nd	15		
	7th - BYE			

NOTE

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The 2002 Australian Lacrosse Team



1. Warren Brown



2. Terry Sparks



3. Matthew Schomburg



4. Scott Garnsworthy



5. Ryan Garnsworthy



6. James Inge



7. Ben Fleming



8. Scot Griffin



9. Gordon Purdie



10. Michael Wann



11. Nathan Rainey



12. Russell Brown



14. Sam Marquard



15. Matthew Windsor



18. Michael Sheidow



19. Nathan Roost



20. Brad Ross



22. Peter Inge



23. Thomas Cahill



24. Jamie Buchanan



26. Darren Nicholas



32. John Tokarua



21. David Whiteman



Malcolm Stokes (Executive Director)



John Denic (Team Coach)



Ken Nichols (Assistant Coach)



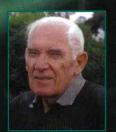
Kevin Sheenan (Assistant Coach)



Don Rudderham (Manager)



Chadd Boucher (Physiotherapist)



Les Goding (Manager)



Neil Stokes (Assistant Manager)



Ben Hitchins (Strength & Conditioning Coach)



Phil Kestel (Assistant Manager)



John Hiron (Bench Manager)